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SUBJECT: VISIT TO U.S. BY LIBERAL OPPOSITION LEADER, B.M. SNEDDEN

1. JOHN KNIGHT, PRESS SECRETARY TO LIBERAL OPPOSITION LEADER, B.M. SNEDDEN, INFORMED EMBOFF OCT 10 THAT SNEDDEN IS PLANNING VISIT TO U.S. ON PRIVATE BUSINESS DURING SECOND WEEK OF DECEMBER, SPENDING TWO DAYS IN NEW YORK AND TWO OR THREE DAYS IN WASHINGTON. AUSTRALIAN EMBASSY WASHINGTON NOT YET INFORMED. TENTATIVE DATES AS FOLLOWS:

2. DEC 8 - ARRIVE NEW YORK. DEC 9 - DELIVER ADDRESS ON RESOURCES POLICY AND FOREIGN RELATIONS TO COUNCIL ON FOREIGN RELATIONS. SNEDDEN MAY ALSO SPEAK TO AMERICAN - AUSTRALIAN ASSOCIATION. DEC 10 AND 11 - IN WASHINGTON. SNEDDEN WOULD BE PARTICULARLY INTERESTED IN MEETINGS WITH PRESIDENT, VICE PRESIDENT, SECRETARY OF STATE KISSINGER, SECDEF SCHLESINGER, AND SECRETARY OF TREASURY SIMON.

3. COMMENT: APPRECIATE THAT THIS IS TALL ORDER FOR APPOINTMENTS, PARTICULARLY IN PERIOD FAIRLY CLOSE TO CHRISTMAS. HOWEVER, SNEDDEN IS OPPOSITION LEADER AND NEXT AUSTRALIAN PRIME MINISTER, SHOULD LABOR LOSE NEXT GENERAL ELECTIONS. NO DATE FOR ELECTIONS NOW SET, BUT MANY LABOR FIGURES ADMIT, BOTH PUBLICLY AND PRIVATELY, THAT THERE MAY BE GENERAL ELECTIONS SOME TIME IN

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1975, WITH PROSPECTS THAT LABOR WILL LOSE.

4. SNEDDEN HAS VISITED WASHINGTON ON NUMEROUS OCCASIONS OVER PAST 10 YEARS. IN SENSE, HE IS REPEATING PATTERN OF PRIME MINISTER WHITLAM WHO, AS LABOR OPPOSITION LEADER, VISITED U.S. IN DECEMBER, 1971, ABOUT ONE YEAR BEFORE HE BECAME PRIME MINISTER. (DEPT WILL RECALL MR. WHITLAM REQUESTED A MEETING WITH THE PRESIDENT AND DR. KISSINGER BUT DID NOT MEET WITH EITHER. HE WAS RECEIVED BY SECRETARY ROGERS AND OTHERS. END COMMENT.
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